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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

At page 4, line 10, please replace "user gets interested in" with --in which a user becomes interested--.

At page 2, line 13, please delete "as".

At page 2, line 14, please delete "defined in Claim 1,".

At page 3, line 1, please delete "as defined in Claim 4,".

At page 3, line 9, please delete "as defined in Claim 5,".

At page 3, line 17, please delete "as defined in Claim 6,".

At page 4, line 4, please delete "as defined in Claim 7,".

At page 4, line 16, please delete "as defined in Claim 8,".

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At page 5, line 3, please delete "as defined in Claim 9,".

At page 6, line 18, please delete "as defined in Claim 11,".

At page 7, line 12, please replace "the aspect corresponding to Claim 1, the" with --an aspect of the invention--.

At page 7, please delete the entirety of lines 13-15.

At page 7, line 21, please replace "the aspect corresponding to Claim 6, the information" with --an another aspect of the invention--.

At page 7, please delete the entirety of lines 22 and 23.

At page 7, line 24, please delete "aspect corresponding to Claim 8,".

At page 8, line 7, please replace "to the" with --to an--.

At page 8, line 8, please replace "corresponding to Claim 9, the information" with --of the invention--.

At page 8, please delete the entirety of lines 9 and 10.

At page 8, line 11, please delete "aspect corresponding to Claim 11".

At page 10, line 7, please replace "the aspect corresponding to Claim 1" with --an aspect of the invention--.

At page 10, line 18, please replace "the" with --an--.

At page 10, line 19, please replace "corresponding to Claim 2" with --of the invention--.

At page 11, line 2, please replace "the" with --an--.

At page 11, line 3, please replace "corresponding to Claim 3" with --of the invention--.

At page 11, line 6, please replace "the" with --an--.

At page 11, line 7, please replace "corresponding to Claim 6" with --of the invention--.

At page 11, line 19, please replace "the" with --an--.

At page 11, line 20, please replace "corresponding to Claim 9"